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For	:	NUCLEOTIDE AND/OR AMINO-ACID SEQUENCE CONTROLLING THE EXPRESSION OF A XYLANASE PROMOTER- OPERATOR NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE)))))))))))))
Examiner	:	Unknown	<i>)</i>)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to Examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1 of the Specification, line 12, after the Title of the Invention, please insert - This is the U.S. National Phase of International Application PCT/BE99/00105, filed August 12, 1999, which claims priority of U.S. Provisional Application, 60/096,556, filed August 14, 1998.--.

On page 3, line 31, please cancel the word "pairs" and substitute in its place --pair--.

On page 5, line 10, please cancel the word "hybridisation" and substitute in its place -hybridization--.

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